

WJLA/NC8 - FCC REPORT

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CRIME & VIOLENCE

4/5 – WJLA - 6AM (0:20)

A CRIME ALERT IN D-C... MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER -- EXPRESSING CONCERN THAT SENSELESS GUN VIOLENCE INTERRUPTED A QUIET SPRING EVENING IN NORTHEAST -- LEAVING TWO PEOPLE DEAD. THE POLICE CHIEF AND MAYOR WERE BOTH ON SCENE AFTER THE MEN WERE SHOT AND KILLED BY THE DEANWOOD REC CENTER ON NASH STREET. POLICE DID NOT RELEASE A DESCRIPTION OF THE GUNMAN - OR POSSIBLE MOTIVE.

4/10 – WJLA - 11PM (0:40)

LEADERS FROM D-C AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY -- PLEDGING TO REDUCE CRIME. LEADERS COMING TOGETHER WHERE THE NATION'S CAPITAL AND MARYLAND MEET. THE AREA HAS BEEN THE SCENE OF SEVERAL VIOLENT CRIMES IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS...AND PEOPLE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE BORDER HAVE HAD ENOUGH. A MAJOR CHALLENGE -- CRIMINALS CROSSING INTO D-C AND INTO MARYLAND TO AVOID POLICE. IN ADDITION TO MAJOR CRIMES D-C MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE ANGELA ALSOBROOKS PROMISE TO ADDRESS ILLEGAL DUMPING.

4/11 - WJLA – 4:30AM (0:35)

LEADERS FROM D-C AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY... ARE COMING TOGETHER, PLEDGING TO *WORK TOGETHER TO REDUCE CRIME. THEIR FOCUS -- THE DC - PG COUNTY LINE. THE AREA -- THE SCENE OF SEVERAL VIOLENT CRIMES IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS. A MAJOR CHALLENGE -- CRIMINALS CROSSING THE BORDER TO AVOID POLICE. IN ADDITION TO CRIME, D-C MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER AND COUNTY

EXECUTIVE ANGELA ALSOBROOKS ALSO PROMISE TO ADDRESS ILLEGAL DUMPING.

5/1 - WJLA – 4PM (0:45)

COVERING D-C... WHERE MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER - IS LAUNCHING HER "SUMMER CRIME INITIATIVE" IN WARD 7. POLICE ARE TARGETING SIX VIOLENT NEIGHBORHOODS. ALL BUT ONE - ARE EAST OF THE ANACOSTIA RIVER. THE MAYOR WALKED THROUGH THE BENNING PARK NEIGHBORHOOD OF SOUTHEAST - WITH RESIDENTS AND MOST OF HER CABINET. THEY WERE THERE - ALONG WITH POLICE OFFICIALS AND SO-CALLED VIOLENCE INTERRUPTERS... WHO TRY TO PREVENT MURDERS -- BY GETTING TO KNOW COMMUNITIES. THE POLICE CHIEF - URGED MORE RESIDENTS TO GET SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS: THIS IS THE 11TH STRAIGHT YEAR D-C HAS LAUNCHED A SUMMER-TIME CRIME INITIATIVE. COMING UP AT FIVE, WHAT RESIDENTS ARE ASKING OF THE MAYOR AND POLICE CHIEF.

5/13 - WJLA – 6AM (0:40)

A DEVELOPING STORY THIS MORNING FROM GREENBELT. INVESTIGATORS DIGGING INTO THE PAST OF THE WOMAN GUNNED DOWN IN BROAD DAYLIGHT AS SHE LEFT HER WORK ON FRIDAY. ABC-7 LEARNING BETTIE JENIFER WAS NOT ONLY MARRIED TO CHRIS ATTOH (AT-TOE) - AN ACTOR FROM GHANA... BUT MARYLAND COURT RECORDS AND GREENBELT POLICE SAY SHE WAS ALSO *STILL MARRIED TO KENDRICK JENIFER - A CONVICTED DRUG TRAFFICKING RING LEADER, SERVING TWO DECADES IN PRISON. BETTIE JENIFER FILED FOR DIVORCE FROM KENDRICK - LAST MONTH. ATTOH'S REPRESENTATIVES RELEASED A STATEMENT SAYING THE FAMILY WANTS TO MOURN PRIVATELY. GREENBELT POLICE SAY HE'S COOPERATING WITH INVESTIGATORS.

5/29 - WJLA – 5PM (0:25)

COVERING D-C TONIGHT WHERE POLICE ARE HOPING THIS VIDEO WILL HELP THEM CATCH TWO MEN - BEHIND A TERRIFYING ROBBERY. TAKE A LOOK. BOTH MEN - POINTING A GUN AT THE VICTIM'S HEAD - AS THEY ORDER HIM TO GIVE THEM EVERYTHING IN HIS POCKETS. THIS HAPPENED JUST OVER A WEEK AGO - ON MAY 20TH - ON SHERIDAN ROAD SOUTHEAST... IN THE BARRY FARMS COMMUNITY. THE VICTIM WAS NOT INJURED. IF YOU RECOGNIZE THESE MEN - POLICE GIVE POLICE A CALL.

6/3 - WJLA – 6AM (0:35)

DEVELOPING NOW.. VIRGINIA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS - WEARING BLUE TODAY, TO REMEMBER THE VICTIMS OF FRIDAY'S WORKPLACE SHOOTING.IT COMES - AS WE LEARN MORE ABOUT THE MAN BEHIND THE DEADLY RAMPAGE. 40-YEAR-OLD DEWAYNE CRADDOCK RESIGNED HOURS BEFORE THE MASS SHOOTING VIA EMAIL. THE CITY MANAGER SAYS HE WAS NOT FIRED. AND HE WAS NOT AT RISK OF BEING FIRED. POLICE SAY HE GUNNED DOWN 12 PEOPLE WHERE HE'D WORKED... INCLUDING HIS FORMER BOSS.CRADDOCK WAS FATALLY WOUNDED IN A SHOOTOUT WITH POLICE.HIS FORMER CO-WORKERS ARE WONDERING WHAT TRIGGERED HIM. CRADDOCK WAS AN ENGINEER IN THE CITY'S PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT FOR 15 YEARS.THE MOTIVE FOR THE SHOOTING IS STILL UNCLEAR.

6/19 - WJLA – 6AM (0:25)

A CRIME ALERT IN D-C.. CAUGHT ON CAMERA.EARLY MONDAY MORNING... A PAIR OF BURGLARS BROKE INTO A STORE ON VIRGINIA AVENUE NORTHWEST -- HOPING TO TAKE THE A-T-M.WHEN THEY REALIZED IT WAS BOLTED TO THE FLOOR... THEY CHANGED THEIR PLAN.THEY ENDED UP GRABBING A BUNCH OF CIGARETTES.THEIR

GETAWAY VEHICLE - THE BLACK MINIVAN.. AND THEIR ACTIONS,
WERE ALL CAUGHT ON SURVEILLANCE VIDEO.CALL POLICE IF YOU
RECOGNIZE THEM OR THE VEHICLE.

6/26 - WJLA – 6AM (0:25)

COVERING A CRIME ALERT IN THE DISTRICT -TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR
T-V -D-C POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR THESE MEN.. AFTER
INVESTIGATORS SAY THEY ROBBED A MCDONALDS ON SOUTH
DAKOTA AVENUE NORTHEAST.ONE CUSTOMER HIT THE DECK AS
THEY WALKED IN JUST BEFORE THE BREAKFAST RUSH YESTERDAY...
AND FORCED THE EMPLOYEES TO EMPTY THE REGISTERS.CALL
POLICE -- IF ANYTHING ON THIS VIDEO JOGS YOUR MEMORY.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

4/1 - WJLA-24/7 - 10PM (0:22)

BALTIMORE MAYOR CATHERINE PUGH IS TAKING WHAT SHE DESCRIBES AS AN "INDEFINITE LEAVE OF ABSENCE" -- LEAVING THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN CHARGE. WHILE PUGH SAYS SHE NEEDS TIME TO RECOVER FROM A RECENT BOUT OF PNEUMONIA --HER ANNOUNCEMENT COMES HOURS AFTER MARYLAND GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN CALLED FOR AN INVESTIGATION INTO PUGH'S BOOK DEAL WITH THE "UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND MEDICAL SYSTEM".

4/2 - WJLA-24/7 - 10PM (0:27)

NEW AT 10 --- A D-C COUNCILMEMBER IS PROPOSING A BILL, WHICH WOULD LIMIT THE NUMBER OF JOBS THAT ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE ALLOWED TO HAVE. THIS COMES AFTER COUNCILMAN JACK EVANS WAS REPRIMANDED FOR VIOLATING THE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT. EVANS IS UNDER INVESTIGATION- ACCUSED OF INFLUENCE PEDDLING. RIGHT NOW COUNCILMEMBERS MAKE ABOUT ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. COUNCIL WOMAN BRIANNE (NA-DOUGH) NADEAU IS NOW CALLING FOR ALL COUNCILMEMBERS TO STICK TO ONE JOB EXCECPT FOR TEACHERS. A BILL LIKE THIS HAS BEEN PROPOSED IN THE PAST. SEVEN CURRENT COUNCILMEMBERS SUPPORT (NA-DOUGH)'S BILL.

4/30 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:18)

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIGHT OVER CONFEDERATE STATUES IN CHARLOTTESVILLE. A VIRGINIA STATE JUDGE SAYS THEY ARE WAR MONUMENTS - AND THEREFORE THE CITY CANNOT REMOVE THEM - WITHOUT STATE PERMISSION. THE ORIGINAL CITY COUNCIL VOTE EVENTUALLY LED TO THE UNITE THE RIGHT RALLY, DURING WHICH HEATHER HEYER WAS STRUCK BY A CAR AND DIED.

5/1 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:25)

HAPPENING TODAY-- MARYLAND'S GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL HOLD A SPECIAL SESSION TO ELECT A NEW HOUSE SPEAKER. THE NEW SPEAKER WILL TAKE OVER FOR THE LATE MICHAEL BUSCH WHO WAS THE LONGEST-SERVING SPEAKER IN STATE HISTORY. DELEGATE DERECK DAVIS AND DELEGATE MAGGIE MCINTOSH ARE BOTH VYING FOR THE JOB. NO MATTER WHO WINS, THEY WILL MAKE HISTORY. DAVIS WOULD BE THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN ELECTED TO THE POST, MCINTOSH WOULD BE THE FIRST WOMAN AND FIRST OPENLY GAY SPEAKER.

5/6 - WJLA-24/7 - 8AM (0:40)

COVERING D.C... CITY COUNCIL IS CONSIDERING INCREASING THE SPEED LIMIT ON ELECTRIC SCOOTERS. RIGHT NOW, IT IS 10 MILES PER HOUR -- AFTER THE COUNCIL VOTED TO LOWER IT EARLIER THIS YEAR. BUT A COMMITTEE IS NOW RECOMMENDING THAT IT BE BUMPED BACK UP TO 15 MILES PER HOUR. REACTIONS ARE MIXED. THE COMMITTEE ALSO WANTS D-DOT TO CREATE A PILOT PROGRAM FOR SCOOTER PARKING SPACES. PEOPLE HAVE COMPLAINED... SCOOTERS ARE LEFT ALL OVER THE PLACE. SCOOTER PARKING SPACES WOULDN'T BE MANDATORY... JUST A RECOMMENDATION.

5/23 - WJLA-24/7 - 7PM (0:20)

D-C COUNCILMEMBER, JACK EVANS WILL *NOT SEEK RE-ELECTION... AS METRO BOARD CHAIRMAN. MARYLAND GOVERNOR, LARRY HOGAN TWEETED - THAT EVANS SHOULD STEP DOWN FROM THE BOARD ALTOGETHER -- BUT EVANS SAYS -- HE WILL KEEP HIS SEAT. FEDERAL PROSECUTORS ARE LOOKING INTO EVANS' BUSINESS AFFAIRS. IN MARCH, THE D-C COUNCIL REPRIMANDED EVANS FOR ETHICAL LAPSES -- AND HE ALSO FACES A RECALL EFFORT.

6/13 - WJLA-24/7 - 9AM (0:23)

STARTING TODAY, YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SMOKE OR VAPE ON PATIOS AT BARS AND RESTAURANTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY. BUT THERE ARE EXCEPTIONS TO THE COUNCIL-APPROVED RULE. BUSINESSES MAY DESIGNATE ROOFTOP AND BALCONY AREAS FOR OUTDOOR SMOKING, AT THEIR DISCRETION. OUTDOOR SEATING AREAS ASSOCIATED WITH GOLF COURSES ARE ALSO EXEMPT FROM THE RULE. MONTGOMERY COUNTY IS THE FIRST COUNTY IN MARYLAND TO ENACT SUCH A LAW.

6/27 -WJLA-24/7 - 3PM (0:21)

EMBATTLED D-C COUNCILMAN JACK EVANS STEPPED DOWN FROM THE METRO TRANSIT BOARD TODAY, HANDING OVER THE CHAIRMAN'S GAVEL TO PAUL SMEDBERG OF VIRGINIA. EVANS IS LEAVING WHILE ACCUSED OF USING HIS POSITIONS FOR PERSONAL GAIN. HE'S THE SUBJECT OF A FEDERAL INVESTIGATION. AND, NEXT MONTH, D-C COUNCIL IS SET TO VOTE ON REMOVING EVANS AS CHAIRMAN OF THE POWERFUL FINANCE COMMITTEE.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

4/4 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:19)

A BILL TO RAISE THE MINIMUM SMOKING AGE TO 21 IS WAITING FOR MARYLAND'S GOVERNOR TO SIGN. THE NEW LEGISLATION COVERS NOT JUST CIGARETTES, BUT ALL TOBACCO PRODUCTS... INCLUDING E-CIGARETTES. ONE OF THE REASONS FOR RAISING THE MINIMUM AGE... THE CURRENT NUMBER OF UNDER-AGE TEENS SMOKING E-CIGARETTES. MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY ARE *EXEMPT FROM THE NEW LAW.

4/8 - WJLA -- 4PM (0:45)

THE F-D-A SENT A LETTER TO I-NOVA JA-NO-MICS LABORATORY WITH CLAIMS ITS ILLEGALLY MARKETING ON-LINE GENETIC TESTS USED TO PREDICT A PERSON'S RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC MEDICATIONS. FEDS SAY THE COMPANY BASED IN FALLS CHURCH, VIRGINIA FAILED TO GET F-D-A APPROVAL FOR SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS. THE TESTS INCLUDE THESE MEDI-MAP TESTS. THEY USE A PERSON'S GENETICS TO PREDICT THEIR RESPONSE TO CERTAIN DRUGS. THE MEDI-MAP BABY IS MARKETING FOR TESTING NEWBORNS TO ANALYZE GENES THAT INFLUENCE RESPONSE TO 24 MEDICATIONS. THE F-D-A SAYS THE COMPANY IS RIGHT NOW VIOLATING THE FOOD, DRUG AND COSMETIC ACT. IT HAS 15 DAYS TO RESPOND OR FACE PENALTIES. WE HAVE REACHED OUT TO THE LAB... IT IS WORKING ON A STATEMENT.

4/26 - WJLA -- 4AM (0:19)

THE MARYLAND MOTHER -- ACCUSED IN A DEADLY CRASH -- FACES A JUDGE. DOMINIQUE TAYLOR IS NOW BEING HELD ON 100-THOUSAND DOLLARS BAIL. SHE'S FACING MANSLAUGHTER CHARGES IN A CRASH IN BOWIE IN FEBRUARY- THAT KILLED SIX -- INCLUDING TWO OF HER OWN CHILDREN AND THREE OTHER KIDS.

POLICE SAY TAYLOR WAS DRUNK. HER BLOOD ALCOHOL LEVEL,
*DOUBLE THE LEGAL LIMIT.

5/1 - WJLA – 5AM (0:15)

HOSPITALS IN WEST VIRGINIA AND KENTUCKY ALSO TAKING
ACTION AGAINST OPIOID MANUFACTURERS. IN A NEW LAWSUIT--
MEDICAL CENTERS ARE ACCUSING THE PHARMACEUTICAL
COMPANIES OF CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY AND SPREADING
MISINFORMATION ABOUT THE DRUGS THEY MAKE. 27 WEST
VIRGINIA HOSPITALS HAVE SIGNED ON TO THE LAWSUIT.

5/13 - WJLA – 5PM (0:20)

AT THAT SAME CEREMONY TODAY - GOVERNOR HOGAN GIVING THE
GO-AHEAD - TO RAISE MARYLAND'S SMOKING AGE. STARTING
OCTOBER FIRST, YOU'LL HAVE TO BE 21 TO BUY ANY KIND OF
TOBACCO. THAT INCLUDES VAPING. VIRGINIA - HAS A SIMILAR
LAW TAKING EFFECT IN JULY. BOTH STATES - MADE AN EXCEPTION
- FOR ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY - WHO CAN STILL BUY TOBACCO
WHEN THEY'RE EIGHTEEN.

6/5 - WJLA – 5AM (0:31)

THIS MORNING, WALMART IS BEING SUED -- ACCUSED OF FAKING
OUT CUSTOMERS WITH ALTERNATIVE MEDICINES. THE NON-
PROFIT THAT FILED THE LAWSUIT CLAIMS WALMART IS
MISLEADING CUSTOMERS WITH HOW ITS LABELING AND
MARKETING HOMEOPATHIC PRODUCTS -- BY SELLING THEM ON THE
SAME AISLE AS MEDICINES TESTED AND APPROVED BY THE F-D-A.
THAT CAN LEAD CUSTOMERS TO BELIEVE THE TWO DRUGS ARE
COMPARABLE. IN A STATEMENT TO FORBES - WALMART DENIES
THE NON-PROFIT'S CLAIM SAYING-- "WE LOOK TO OUR SUPPLIERS TO

PROVIDE PRODUCTS THAT MEET ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, INCLUDING LABELING LAWS."

6/13 - WJLA – 6AM (0:25)

COVERING D-C.. SOME PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENTS ARE UPSET ABOUT A SMOKING BAN THAT AFFECTS "THEM." A POLICY BANNING SMOKING WITHIN 25 FEET OF A PUBLIC HOUSING BUILDING TOOK EFFECT NATIONWIDE LAST YEAR. TENANTS RECEIVED A LETTER, REQUIRING THEM TO SIGN OFF ON THE POLICY. AS OF YESTERDAY, THOSE WHO DON'T WILL GET A 30 DAY NOTICE TO VACATE THEIR UNIT. PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENTS IN SOUTHEAST D.C. WE SPOKE WITH ARE NOT HAPPY. A D.C. HOUSING SPOKESPERSON POINTS OUT.. THE RULE DOESN'T SAY PEOPLE CAN'T SMOKE. THEY JUST CAN'T SMOKE ON HUD PROPERTY.

6/25 - WJLA – 6AM (0:25)

A NEW STUDY FINDS.. ALCOHOL USE AMONG TEENS IS DOWN. THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS PUBLISHED THE SURVEY, USING DATA FROM 20-18. THE STUDY FINDS, BY THE END OF 12TH GRADE, 59-PERCENT OF STUDENTS HAD CONSUMED MORE THAN A FEW SIPS OF ALCOHOL. ABOUT 43-PERCENT OF 12TH GRADERS REPORTED HAVING BEEN DRUNK AT LEAST ONCE IN THEIR LIFE. THAT'S DOWN FROM THE YEAR BEFORE.

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

4/2 - WJA-24/7 - 9PM (0:37)

TONIGHT-- WORKING TRANSFORMERS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED IN A FAIRFAX COUNTY HIGHRISE-- BUT PEOPLE CAN'T GO HOME JUST YET. THIS COMES AFTER A TRANSFORMER CAUGHT FIRE YESTERDAY-- KNOCKING OUT POWER TO THE BUILDING.. AND LEAVING *ONE-THOUSAND PEOPLE.. WITH OUT A PLACE TO SAY. OFFICIALS WITH DOMINION ENERGY TELL US.. THEIR WORK IS DONE. BUT-- BUILDING OFFICIALS AND THE CITY ARE STILL WORKING ON GETTING EVERYTHING UP AND RUNNING. FOR PEOPLE WHO LIVE THERE-- EVERY NIGHT AWAY FROM HOME.. IS HARD. FAIRFAX COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE SAYS YESTERDAY MORNING'S FIRE WAS ACCIDENTALLY STARTED BY A WELDER...

4/11 - WJLA-24/7 - 10PM (0:35)

THE FAMILY OF A 10-YEAR OLD GIRL -- GUNNED DOWN IN NORTH-EAST D-C LAST SUMMER -- IS NOW SUING THE CITY. "MAKIYAH WILSON" WAS OUTSIDE HER HOME GETTING ICE CREAM WHEN SHE WAS HIT BY A STRAY BULLET DURING A SHOOTOUT AT CLAY TERRACE. THE FAMILY'S 30-MILLION DOLLAR LAWSUIT CLAIMS THE D-C HOUSING AUTHORITY FAILED TO RESPOND TO RESIDENTS' CONCERNS ABOUT HUNDREDS OF VIOLENT INCIDENTS. THEIR LAWYER SAYS -- IN THE MONTHS SINCE MAKIYAH'S DEATH -- THE CITY HAS FAILED TO IMPROVE SECURITY AT THE HOUSING COMPLEX. D-C OFFICIALS SAID THEY COULDN'T COMMENT ON THE LAWSUIT.

4/24 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:49)

AN UPDATE TO BREAKING NEWS WJLA 24/7 TOLD YOU ABOUT YESTERDAY MORNING. A LANDOVER HILLS COUPLE IS TELLING A HARROWING STORY ABOUT HOW THEY ESCAPED FROM A FIRE.ϭWA3

17948 THAT FIRE RAGED THROUGH THEIR APARTMENT BUILDING AROUND 3:00 TUESDAY MORNING. BY THE TIME THEY RAN FROM THEIR FOURTH- FLOOR APARTMENT, THE STAIRWELL WAS BLOCKED BY FLAMES. THEY HAD TO CLIMB DOWN THE BALCONIES-- BUT THEY COULDN'T WITH THEIR 9-MONTH OLD SON. THE CHILD'S FATHER DESCRIBES THE MOMENT HE REALIZED-- THERE WAS ONLY ONE WAY FOR HIS SON TO SURVIVE. ALL THREE FAMILY MEMBERS WERE UNHURT. THE BUILDING PARTLY COLLAPSED -- LEAVING 32 FAMILIES HOMELESS. THREE FIREFIGHTERS WERE SLIGHTLY BURNED.

5/8 - WJLA-24/7 - 9AM (0:44)

SHE WAS ONCE A RESIDENT OF THE D-C GENERAL HOMELESS SHELTER-- NOW RASHEMA MELSON IS ABOUT TO GRADUATE FROM GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY. WE FIRST INTRODUCED YOU TO RASHEMA FOUR YEARS AGO WHEN SHE GOT A FULL RIDE SCHOLARSHIP TO GEORGETOWN. TODAY - SHE INTRODUCED THE MAYOR AT A JOB FAIR EVENT. SHE ALSO ANNOUNCED SHE'S GRADUATING WITH A BACHELOR OF ARTS IN JUSTICE STUDIES FROM ON MAY 18TH. THE MAYOR TOLD MELSON SHE HAS MADE THE CITY PROUD.SHE TOLD US SHE HASN'T GOTTEN INTO LAW SCHOOL YET, BUT THAT'S HER PLAN.

6/5 - WJLA-24/7 - 6AM (0:40)

NEW AFFORDABLE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING PROJECTS ARE COMING TO VIRGINIA. THE STATE IS POURING 11-MILLION DOLLARS TO 17 PROJECTS. GOVERNOR RALPH NORTHAM SAYS MUCH OF THIS WORK IS EXPECTED TO HELP VETERANS IN NEED. IN ADDITION TO THE ARLINGTON EFFORT.. ROUGHLY 13-HUNDRED OTHER AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS ARE IN THE WORKS.

6/6 - WJLA-24/7 7PM (0:45)

TODAY - D-C MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER TOLD THE 'GREATER WASHINGTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION' THAT SHE HAS A PLAN TO TO END HOMELESSNESS IN THE DISTRICT. SHE WANTS THE CITY AND PRIVATE SECTOR TO OFFER UP 36-THOUSAND NEW APARTMENTS IN THE NEXT SIX YEARS. THE FOUNDATION ALSO HEARD FROM A WOMAN WHO WENT FROM THE D-C GENERAL HOMELESS SHELTER TO RECENTLY GRADUATING GEORGETOWN. SHE HAD SUPPORT AND SHE SAYS SHE KNOWS MANY OTHER SHELTER RESIDENTS DID *NOT GET HELP.

6/19 WJLA-24/7 7AM (7:45)

THE D-C GOVERNMENT IS TAKING AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH TO ENSURING BUILDINGS, ESPECIALLY HOMES, ARE SAFE. AND IT COULD PUT "YOU" IN A POSITION TO EARN SOME CASH. THE CITY'S REGULATORY AGENCY, DCRA, IS BEING OVERWHELMED BY THE CITY'S BUILDING BOOM. THE AGENCY HAS A LIMITED NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES TO MAKE ALL THE NECESSARY INSPECTIONS. INSTEAD OF HIRING NEW EMPLOYEES, THE CITY PLANS TO TRAIN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE FREELANCE INSPECTORS. THEY'LL USE I-PADS WITH THE DCRA APP.

HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE

4/6 - WJLA - 6PM (0:25)

A 7 ON YOUR SIDE HEALTH ALERT NOW -- THE MEASLES IS NOW IN MARYLAND. HEALTH OFFICIALS SAY SEVERAL PEOPLE MAY HAVE BEEN EXPOSED -- AND AT LEAST ONE CASE IS CONFIRMED SO FAR. THE HEALTH DEPARTEMENT SAYS ANYONE WHO VISITED "FOUR-THOUSAND OLD COURT ROAD" IN PIKESVILLE-- ON APRIL SECOND -- COULD BE AT RISK. IF YOU WERE THERE -- AND START TO FEEL FEVERISH -- YOU SHOULD CALL YOUR DOCTOR. SYMPTOMS USUALLY SHOW UP 10-14 DAYS AFTER EXPOSURE TO THE VIRUS.

4/10 - WJLA - 4AM (0:20)

IN HEALTH MATTERS THIS MORNING, THE C-D-C SAYS A MYSTERIOUS E-COLI OUTBREAK HAS SICKENED 96 PEOPLE. RIGHT NOW PEOPLE IN FIVE STATES INCLUDING VIRGINIA ARE AFFECTED. 11 PEOPLE HAVE GONE TO THE HOSPITAL BUT NO ONE HAS DIED. CASES STARTED POPPING UP IN EARLY MARCH. THE GOVERNMENT STILL IS NOT SURE WHERE IT STARTED.

4/29 - WJLA - 6AM (0:35)

SEVEN'S ON YOUR SIDE WITH A HEALTH ALERT.. THOSE DANGEROUS "KISSING BUGS" ARE BEING SPOTTED IN DOZENS OF STATES, INCLUDING MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA. THEY'VE ALSO BEEN SEEN IN D.C. THE BUG OFTEN BITES THE FACES OF HUMANS. AND IT CAN TRANSMIT A PARASITE THAT CAUSES CHAGAS (SHA'-GUESS) DISEASE, WHICH CAN CAUSE SERIOUS CARDIAC AND GASTROINTESTINAL COMPLICATIONS. THE CDC SAYS ABOUT 300-THOUSAND PEOPLE WITH SHA'-GUESS DISEASE LIVE IN THE U.S. MOST WERE INFECTED WITH THE PARASITE IN LATIN AMERICA.

5/8 - WJLA – 6PM (0:25)

SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE - SPENT TODAY LOOKING AT SECURITY AT LOCAL SCHOOLS. IN ARLINGTON - IN ADDITION TO HAVING RESOURCE OFFICERS IN EVERY HIGH SCHOOL, THERE'S ALSO A NEW "EMERGENCY MANAGER" - TASKED WITH OVERSEEING ALL THINGS SAFETY... FROM SECURITY - TO MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES. VIRGINIA ALSO HAS SIX MILLION DOLLARS AVAILABLE FOR SCHOOLS EVERY YEAR SPECIFICALLY FOR SECURITY UPGRADES.

5/15 - WJLA – 7PM (1:00)

"ANANDA HEMP" - THE COMPANY WHOSE PRODUCT TESTED POSITIVE FOR 1500PPB LEAD CALLED THE LAB RESULTS "ACCUSATIONS" AND TOLD US THE DATA IS MISLEADING AND POORLY SUPPORTED. THEY SAY THE RESULTS DO NOT REFLECT THEIR PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PRODUCT DATA. WE LOOKED AT THAT DATA AND FOUND NO TEST RESULTS FOR HEAVY METALS, SUCH AS LEAD. THEIR STATEMENT, AS WELL AS A COMPLETE LOOK AT THE PRODUCTS TESTED, ARE AT WJLA DOT COMAND, IN THE INTEREST OF FULL DISCLOSURE - THE FOUNDER OF ELLIPSE ANALYTICS - IS PART OF A NEW COMPANY THAT WILL BE MAKING AND SELLING CBD. HE SAYS HE WAS INSPIRED BY THE LAB RESULTS ON CURRENTLY AVAILABLE PRODUCTS. LISA, THE LEGALITY OF CBD IS ALSO CONFUSING FOR CONSUMERS... ESPECIALLY WHEN, LIKE YOU SAID, WE'RE SEEING IT POP UP IN ALL KINDS OF PRODUCTS. EVERY STATE HAS DIFFERENT LAWS ON THE BOOKS AND OUTSIDE OF THE TEN STATES AND DC WHERE IT IS BROADLY LEGAL - BOTH FOR MEDICAL AND RECREATIONAL USE - THE DEBATE OVER ITS LEGALITY IS YET TO BE AGREED UPON - BEST BET: ABIDE BY YOUR STATE'S LAWS.

5/31 - WJLA – 11PM (0:25)

THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND BOARD OF REGENTS --
*WILL INVESTIGATE THE DEATH OF A STUDENT DURING LAST
YEAR'S ADENOVIRUS OUTBREAK. THE DECISION MADE BEHIND
CLOSED-DOORS TODAY. IT COMES AFTER GOVERNOR HOGAN
CALLED FOR MORE ANSWERS. HOGAN CITED A WASHINGTON POST
REPORT -- CLAIMING OFFICIALS WAITED 18 DAYS TO TELL PEOPLE
ABOUT THE VIRUS. 18 YEAR OLD OLIVIA PARAGOL DIED, SHE HAD
CROHN'S DISEASE. MEDICATIONS TO FIGHT THAT CAN
COMPROMISE THE IMMUNE SYSTEM.

6/4 - WJLA -- 4PM (0:40)

HE DIDN'T BRING THE STANLEY CUP WITH HIM THIS TIME -- BUT
CAPS PLAYER, JOHN CARLSON, BROUGHT PLENTY OF SMILES TO
CHILDREN'S NATIONAL MEDICAL CENTER. CARLSON WAS THERE
TO CELEBRATE THE HOSPITAL'S ANIMAL THERAPY PROGRAM. IT'S
DESIGNED TO REDUCE STRESS ON CHILDREN UNDERGOING
TREATMENT -- AND THEIR FAMILIES. THE EVENT INCLUDED A
PUPPY-KISSING BOOTH -- WHO WOULDN'T WANT TO DO THAT.....
MINIATURE HORSES -- AND PLENTY OF THERAPY DOGS TO PLAY
WITH.

6/14 - WJLA -- 6PM (0:20)

THERE'S WORD OF A SETTLEMENT TONIGHT - IN THE DISPUTE
OVER MARYLAND'S FLAWED "HEALTH-CARE EXCHANGE". I-B-M
AND "CURAM SOFTWARE" WILL PAY NEARLY 15-MILLION DOLLARS...
TO SETTLE THE DISPUTE -- BUT WILL *NOT ADMIT WRONGDOING.
THEY WERE ACCUSED OF MISREPRESENTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF
THE MARYLAND EXCHANGE. THAT SITE COST ABOUT 200-MILLION
DOLLARS TO DEVELOP -- AND WAS REPLACED WITHIN A FEW
YEARS.

6/21 - WJLA – 11PM (0:25)

A REVIEW OF THE DEADLY ADENOVIRUS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND *WILL GO AHEAD AS REQUESTED BY GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN. THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM'S BOARD OF REGENTS SHARING DETAILS OF THE PROBE TONIGHT. AN 18-YEAR-OLD STUDENT DIED AS A RESULT OF THE OUTBREAK. EXPERTS IN INFECTIOUS DISEASE, PUBLIC HEALTH AND COMMUNICATIONS WILL FOCUS ON THE SCHOOL'S ACTIONS, MESSAGING-- AND RESPONSES TO MOLD OUTBREAKS IN THE DORMITORIES. THE GOVERNOR TWEETED HE IS RELIEVED BY THE UPDATE.

RACIAL, ETHIC, RELIGIOUS & SEX

4/4 - WJLA-24/7 - 10PM (0:25)

WASHINGTON-AREA CATHOLICS ARE GETTING THEIR FIRST LOOK AT THEIR NEW ARCHBISHOP. WILTON GREGORY WAS INTRODUCED TODAY BY THE MAN HE'LL REPLACE -- CARDINAL DONALD WUERL. GREGORY IS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARCHBISHOP..HE'LL OVERSEE 139 PARISHES IN THE DISTRICT AND MARYLAND -- WITH A TOTAL OF 655-THOUSAND MEMBERS. GREGORY COMES HERE FROM ATLANTA -- WHERE HE LED THAT DIOCESE FOR 14 YEARS. HE'LL BE INSTALLED ON MAY 21-ST.

4/9 - WJLA-24/7 - 4AM (0:50)

COVERING D-C.. A BATTLE IS UNDERWAY, INVOLVING D.C.'S HOMETOWN MUSIC, GO-GO. FOR YEARS, A PHONE STORE ON 7TH STREET AND FLORIDA AVENUE NORTHWEST HAS BEEN PLAYING THE MUSIC.. LOUDLY. THAT AREA IS NEAR CHUCK BROWN WAY, NAMED AFTER THE LATE GODFATHER OF GO-GO. AND IT'S BEEN A GATHERING SPOT FOR PEOPLE WHO LOVE THE MUSIC. RECENTLY, T-MOBILE ORDERED THE STORE, METRO P-C-S, TO STOP PLAYING THE MUSIC, AFTER COMPLAINTS FROM NEIGHBORS. A FAN OF GO-GO HAS STARTED A PETITION TO BRING BACK THE MUSIC. WE REACHED OUT TO T-MOBILE, BUT HAVE NOT HEARD BACK. COUNCILWOMAN BRIANNE NADEAU HAS WRITTEN TO T-MOBILE, ASKING IT TO RECONSIDER ITS DECISION. GO-GO FANS PLAN TO PROTEST OUTSIDE THE STORE AT 10 SATURDAY MORNING.

5/1 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:15)

MARYLAND LAWMAKERS ARE ELECTING A NEW HOUSE SPEAKER TODAY - REPLACING THE LATE MICHAEL BUSCH. THE 2-CANDIDATES ARE DELEGATE DERECK DAVIS AND DELEGATE MAGGIE MCINTOSH.

DAVIS WOULD BE THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN SPEAKER...
MCINTOSH WOULD BE THE FIRST WOMAN TO HOLD THE JOB.

5/11 - WJLA-24/7 - 5PM (0:48)

HAPPENING NOW-- THE PUSH FOR GO-GO MUSIC IN D-C... BEING
FEATURED IN THE SIXTH ANNUAL FUNK PARADE.SUPPORTERS FOR
"DON'T MUTE D-C".. SPOKE TODAY ON THE IMPORTANCE OF
KEEPING--AFRICAN-AMERICA MUSIC AND CULTURE ALIVE IN THE
DISTRICT. SUPPORTERS HAVE BEEN PROTESTING FOR WEEKS--
FOLLOWING A DISPUTE ABOUT GO-GO MUSIC PLAYING AT A
BUSINESS IN NORTHWEST. THE MOVEMENT IS ALSO FOCUSING ON
THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING COUNTED-- AND SPOKE ABOUT THE
PUSH FOR MINORITIES IN D-C.. TO FILL OUT THE CENSUS. THE
CENSUS WILL BE SENT OUT BY APRIL OF 20-20.THE FUNK PARADE-- IS
STILL HAPPENING RIGHT NOW. THE DAYTIME EVENTS RUN
THROUGH SEVEN..AFTER THAT-- THE MUSIC WILL BEGIN.THIS IS ALL
HAPPENING ON U-STREET.

5/22 - WJLA-24/7 6AM (1:00)

HE DEFIED MANY FROM VIRGINIA'S GENERAL ASSEMBLY INCLUDING
MEMBERS OF HIS OWN PARTY WHO DEMANDED THAT HE STEP
DOWN. NOW MORE THAN THREE MONTHS AFTER THAT BLACK FACE
PHOTO SURFACED, AND 35 YEARS AFTER IT WAS PUBLISHED IN A
SCHOOL YEARBOOK....TODAY GOV. RALPH NORTHAM'S MEDICAL
SCHOOL IS SET TO RELEASE FINDINGS FROM A PRIVATE
INVESTIGATION. THE PROBE'S COMPLETION COMES AFTER VIRGINIA
POLITICS HAS BEEN SEVERELY RATTLED. NORTHAM, WHO
GRADUATED FROM EASTERN VIRGINIA MEDICAL SCHOOL, INITIALLY
SAID HE WAS IN THE PHOTO, WHICH SHOWS A MAN IN BLACKFACE
AND ANOTHER PERSON IN A KKK OUTFIT, AND APOLOGIZED DURING
A NEWS CONFERENCE.THE NEXT DAY, THE GOVERNOR CHANGED HIS

TUNE A BIT- SAYING HE WAS CONVINCED HE WAS NOT IN THE PICTURE, BUT HE DID ADMIT TO ONCE WEARING BLACKFACE AS PART OF A MICHAEL JACKSON COSTUME. THE MEDICAL SCHOOL IN NORFOLK SAYS IT WILL HOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE TODAY AND WILL MAKE A WRITTEN REPORT PUBLIC INTO THE CULTURE OF THE SCHOOL AND HOW YEARBOOKS ARE PREPARED. WHAT'S UNCLEAR THIS MORNING IS IF THE SCHOOL HAS DETERMINED IF NORTHAM WAS INDEED IN THAT PHOTO. NORTHERN VIRGINIA BUREAU CHIEF TIM BARBER IS ON HIS WAY TO NORFOLK THIS MORNING -- HE'LL HAVE MORE ON THIS FOR US ON ABC7NEWS AT NOON...

6/25 - WJLA-24/7 - 10PM (0:40)

A NEW LAW WILL MAKE IT EASIER FOR SAME-SEX COUPLES AND SINGLE PEOPLE IN VIRGINIA TO HAVE CHILDREN THROUGH A SURROGATE. TODAY GOVERNOR RALPH NORTHAM SIGNED "JACOB'S BILL" INTO LAW AT A CEREMONY IN ARLINGTON. THE LAW IS NAMED AFTER THE SON OF A GAY COUPLE AT THE CENTER OF A MULTI-STATE LEGAL FIGHT TO GAIN CUSTODY OF THEIR THIRD CHILD. BECAUSE OF "JACOB'S LAW" --STARTING JULY FIRST -- VIRGINIA'S SURROGACY LAWS WILL BE GENDER NEUTRAL.

EMPLOYMENT & ECONOMY

4/24 - WJLA – 6PM (0:20)

HUNDREDS OF NEW JOBS - ARE BOUND FOR FREDERICK COUNTY. GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN'S OFFICE ANNOUNCING THAT "KITE PHARMA" PLANS TO BUILD A MANUFACTURING PLANT IN URBANA. THAT PLANT - IS EXPECTED TO BRING MORE THAN 350 JOBS OVER THE NEXT SIX YEARS. BOTH MARYLAND AND FREDERICK COUNTY ARE OFFERING THE COMPANY LOANS, TRAINING GRANTS AND TAX INCENTIVES IN THE DEAL.

4/30 - WJLA – 4AM (0:38)

AMAZON ANNOUNCES ITS FIRST JOB LISTINGS - TO START THE H-Q-2 PROCESS IN CRYSTAL CITY. THE COMPANY IS LOOKING TO MAKE FIVE KEY HIRES RIGHT NOW-- -- THEY INCLUDE FINANCIAL, H-R, AND MANAGEMENT POSITIONS. THOUGH THE NUMBER OF JOBS IS SMALL TO START-- AMAZON SAYS IT'LL EVENTUALLY ADD 25-THOUSAND JOBS TO THE ARLINGTON AREA. THAT NUMBER IS EXCITING FOR LOCAL LEADERS. RIGHT NOW-- AMAZON SAYS IT'S AHEAD OF SCHEDULE-- AND ON PACE TO CREATE 400 JOBS IN ARLINGTON BY THE END OF THE YEAR. THE FIRST EMPLOYEES ARE SET TO START IN JUNE.

5/3 - WJLA – 4PM (0:30)

IT OPENED ONLY A FEW MONTHS AFTER PEARL HARBOR. NOW -- AFTER 77-YEARS --THE SAFEWAY IN D-C'S PALISADES NEIGHBORHOOD IS CLOSING FOREVER. THE STORE OFFICIALLY CLOSES TOMORROW --BUT ITS ALREADY EMPTY. EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN OFFERED JOBS AT OTHER LOCATIONS --BUT SAY THEY WON'T HAVE THAT GENERAL STORE FEEL. SAFEWAY HAS SOLD THE PROPERTY --BUT IT'S UNCLEAR WHAT WILL BE BUILT ON THE SITE.

5/7 - WJLA – 4AM (0:20)

MEANWHILE, MORE HELP COULD BE ON THE WAY - FOR CRAB PICKING. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS MAKING 30-THOUSAND MORE TEMPORARY VISAS AVAILABLE FOR THIS SUMMER. THAT'S ALMOST DOUBLE THE NUMBER FROM LAST YEAR WHEN MARYLAND CRAB HOUSES FACED A DRASTIC SHORTAGE OF VISAS - FOR CRAB PICKERS. MARYLAND GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN - HAS CALLED FOR AN *END* TO CAPS ON TEMPORARY WORKER VISAS FOR THE SEASONAL JOBS.

6/5 - WJLA – 12PM (0:33)

AND GOVERNOR NORTHAM SIGNED A BILL STRIKING JIM CROW-ERA EXCEPTIONS FROM VIRGINIA'S MINIMUM-WAGE LAW. HE ALSO FORMED A COMMISSION TO FIND OTHER DISCRIMINATORY LANGUAGE IN STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS. THE FINDINGS ARE TO BE ISSUED BY NOVEMBER. THE BILL, SIGNED YESTERDAY, ELIMINATES AN EXEMPTION IN STATE LAW THAT SAID CERTAIN JOBS TRADITIONALLY HELD BY AFRICAN AMERICANS, INCLUDING USHERS AND DOORMEN, DIDN'T HAVE TO PAY MINIMUM WAGE. HE PLEDGED TO FOCUS ON ADDRESSING THE STATE'S LONGSTANDING HISTORY OF RACIAL INEQUITY AFTER A BLACKFACE SCANDAL NEARLY FORCED HIM FROM OFFICE IN FEBRUARY.

6/11 - WJLA – 5AM (0:25)

PEOPLE IN MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREAS ARE MORE LIKELY TO WORK PAST AGE 65 THAN THOSE IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.. ESPECIALLY IN THE NORTHEAST AND AROUND D.C. THAT'S THE FINDING OF A REPORT BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS AND "NORC CENTER FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS RESEARCH." ANALYSTS SAY THE TYPES OF JOBS IN THOSE AREAS KEEP OLDER PEOPLE WORKING LONGER.. INCLUDING GOVERNMENT, FINANCE, LAW, AND

ACADEMIA. AND THEY SAY OLDER WORKERS CAN HELP BOOST LOCAL ECONOMIES.

6/19 - WJLA – 6AM (0:25)

MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER WILL KICK OFF THIS YEAR'S MARION BARRY SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM. THIS IS THE TENTH YEAR OF THE PROGRAM, WHICH IS NAMED AFTER THE LATE D.C. MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN. TODAY, BOWSER PLANS TO ANNOUNCE A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY. THAT'S AN INDEPENDENT BUREAU OF THE U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT. THE PARTNERSHIP WILL INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE JOBS PROGRAM THROUGH 20-30.

EDUCATION

4/11 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:32)

HAPPENING TODAY IN THE DISTRICT-- GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS PREPARE TO VOTE ON WHAT COULD BE A LANDMARK MOMENT IN AMERICAN POLITICS. AT ISSUE-- A PROPOSED 27-DOLLAR STUDENT FEE, THAT WILL BE USED TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE LIVING DECEDENTS OF 272 SLAVES, SOLD BY GEORGETOWN IN 18-38. THE MONEY GENERATED WOULD SUPPORT EDUCATION AND HEALTHCARE INITIATIVES IN LOUISIANA AND MARYLAND WHERE MANY OF THEM LIVE. SEVERAL OF THOSE DECEDENTS NOW ATTEND GEORGETOWN. IF PASSED-- GEORGETOWN THIS PROPOSALS WOULD CREATE ONE OF THE FIRST REPARATIONS FUNDS AT A MAJOR U.S. INSTITUTION.

4/26 - WJLA-24/7 - 8AM (0:45)

COVERING D.C.. A SCHOOL FUNDING FIGHT IS BREWING IN THE DISTRICT. DURING A NEWS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY, MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER TOUTED HER BILLION DOLLAR EDUCATION BUDGET. BUT CRITICS SAY HER FORMULA FOR ALLOCATING FUNDING ON A PER PUPIL BASIS IS HURTING THE NEEDIEST SCHOOLS. THE SCHOOL SYSTEM PROJECTS, ANACOSTIA HIGH SCHOOL WILL LOSE 23-PERCENT OF ITS STUDENTS NEXT YEAR.

BALLOU WILL LOSE 32-PERCENT. THAT MEANS, THE SCHOOLS WOULD LOSE MILLIONS UNDER THE FORMULA. SCHOOLS CHANCELLOR LEWIS FEREBEE SAYS HE'LL TARGET MONEY BACK TO THOSE SCHOOLS. HE SAYS MORE THAN A MILLION DOLLARS WILL GO TOWARD HELPING THEM REDESIGN THEIR INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMMING.

5/8 - WJLA-24/7 - 9PM (0:33)

SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE ASKED SIX SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE D-M-V ABOUT SECURITY. THREE HAVE GOTTEN BACK TO US. MONTGOMERY - FAIRFAX AND ARLINGTON COUNTIES. ALL HIGH SCHOOLS IN THOSE DISTRICTS HAVE SCHOOL RESOURCE POLICE OFFICERS ON CAMPUS DURING SCHOOL HOURS. WHEN IT COMES TO MIDDLE SCHOOLS - THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA DISTRICTS HAVE POLICE OFFICERS ON CAMPUS WHILE MONTGOMERY COUNTY HAS SCHOOL SECURITY EMPLOYEES THROUGH THE DAY. FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS - FAIRFAX AND ARLINGTON HAVE POLICE OFFICERS ROTATING BETWEEN DIFFERENT CAMPUSES DURING THE DAY. MONTGOMERY SENDS ITS OWN SECURITY GUARDS ON ROTATION.

5/24 - WJLA-24/7 - 4AM (0:30)

FOR THIS NEXT STORY MAKE SURE YOUR VOLUME IS UP--

THOSE ARE STUDENTS FROM ROCKETSHIP LEGACY PREP IN SOUTHEAST EMBRACING THEIR TEACHER AARON CARDWELL.

HE TEACHES 2ND AND 3RD GRADE MATH THERE-- AND JUST EARNED HIS MASTERS IN SCIENCE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION FROM JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY. HE SAYS HE'S GLAD HIS STUDENTS GOT TO WITNESS THE TRUE MEANING OF COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS. AND A DOUBLE BONUS FOR THE STUDENTS THEY GOT TO WATCH THEIR OTHER TEACHER GRADUATE KELSIE MCGHIE ALSO TEACHES THIRD GRADE READING.

5/29 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:20)

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ALMOST TWENTY YEARS *EVERY* PUBLIC COLLEGE IN VIRGINIA IS FREEZING TUITION FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. LAWMAKERS INCLUDED 57 POINT FIVE MILLION IN THIS YEAR'S STATE BUDGET FOR COLLEGES THAT AGREED TO FREEZE

THEIR TUITION TO SHARE.EVERY SCHOOL TOOK THEM UP ON THEIR OFFER.SIX SCHOOLS ARE ALSO FREEZING OUT OF STATE TUITION.

6/6 - WJLA-24/7 - 8AM (0:25)

AND SPEAKING OF COLLEGE-- today is NATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION DAY. A GREAT TIME TO REPRESENT YOUR ALMA MATER ACCORDING TO THE ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE, COLLEGE GRADUATES MADE 56 PERCENT MORE MONEY THAN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES IN 20-15. THAT'S THE BIGGEST DIFFERENCE ON RECORD. BUT IT'S ALSO MORE EXPENSIVE THAN EVER TO GO TO COLLEGE. FORMER STUDENTS OWE AN ESTIMATED 1-POINT- 5 TRILLION DOLLARS IN LOANS.

6/19 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:20)

IT TURNS OUT, ARLINGTON COUNTY'S SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT ISN'T ACTUALLY RETIRING.. HE'S SWITCHING TO A NEW SCHOOL SYSTEM.PATRICK MURPHY ANNOUNCED FRIDAY HE WAS RETIRING IN SEPTEMBER.BUT ON MONDAY NIGHT -- THE BERKELEY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED HIM TO BE ITS NEXT SUPERINTENDENT IN WEST VIRGINIA. HE'LL BEGIN HIS NEW JOB SEPTEMBER 1ST.

6/20 - WJLA-24/7 - 8AM (0:25)

HAPPENING TODAY..MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS HOSTING A HIRING EXPO. THE SCHOOL SYSTEM HAS NUMEROUS JOB OPENINGS FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.OFFICIALS ARE LOOKING FOR TEACHERS.. AND SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS. SOME OF THE OPENINGS ARE FOR BILINGUAL TEACHERS, AND COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY TEACHERS.THE HIRING EXPO RUNS FROM NINE A.M. UNTIL TWO P.M.AT RICHARD MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL IN

ROCKVILLE. YOU DO NOT NEED TO REGISTER BEFOREHAND... BUT
BRING YOUR RESUME.

FAMILY ISSUES

4/16 - WJLA – 11AM (0:20)

DEVELOPING THIS NOON... A GROUP OF PARENTS IS SUING THE PRESCHOOL AT WASHINGTON HEBREW CONGREGATION. THE SUIT ALLEGES THE SCHOOL IGNORED WARNING SIGNS WHILE A TEACHER THERE SEXUALLY ABUSED AT LEAST SEVEN YOUNG CHILDREN. ABC-7 FIRST REPORTED ON THE ALLEGATIONS LAST SUMMER. WE ARE NOT IDENTIFYING THE TEACHER NAMED IN THE LAWSUIT BECAUSE HE HAS NOT BEEN CHARGED.

5/7 - WJLA – 12PM (0:40)

AN IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT HAPPENING MOMENTS AGO IN A SCHOOL ABUSE CASE THE SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE I-TEAM FIRST BROUGHT YOU EARLIER THIS YEAR. CHILDREN... IN A SPECIAL NEEDS CLASS AT BERKELEY HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN MARTINSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, VERBALLY ABUSED IN THEIR CLASSROOM. AUDIO RECORDINGS CAUGHT DISTURBING COMMENTS FROM A TEACHER AND TWO TEACHER AIDES TOWARDS THE NON-VERBAL SPECIAL NEEDS FIRST GRADERS. SINCE THEN, THERE HAVE BEEN COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND THE SUPERINTENDENT RESIGNED. MINUTES AGO, THE WEST VIRGINIA ATTORNEY GENERAL ANNOUNCED HE IS ADDING MORE PEOPLE TO HIS INVESTIGATION, INCLUDING THE PRINCIPAL, THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT, AND THE BERKELEY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD... SAYING THEY DID NOT PROPERLY REPORT THE INCIDENT. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL CLAIMS THERE WAS AN ATTEMPT TO DESTROY EVIDENCE IN THE CASE AND SCHOOL AUTHORITIES FAILED TO REPORT THE INCIDENT TO CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES. OUR REPORTER SCOTT TAYLOR WILL HAVE MORE ON THIS BREAKING NEWS DEVELOPMENT TONIGHT ON ABC 7 NEWS BEGINNING AT FOUR.

5/10 - WJLA- 12AM (0:40)

FIVE VIRGINIA TEENS -- FACING CHILD PORN CHARGES AFTER POLICE SAY THE STUDENTS TRADED NAKED PICTURES OF CLASSMATES ON SNAPCHAT. "SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE" BROKE THE STORY OF A MASSIVE SEXTING INVESTIGATION BACK IN FEBRUARY. FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS -- NOW PLANNING TO BETTER EDUCATE STUDENTS AND PARENTS ABOUT SEXTING, EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE. TWO OF THE STUDENTS ATTEND ROBINSON SECONDARY SCHOOL -- TWO GO TO LAKE BRADDOCK SECONDARY SCHOOL -- THE FIFTH IS A STUDENT AT W.T. WOODSON HIGH SCHOOL.

5/16 - WJLA -- 12PM (0:25)

VIRGINIA FAMILIES WHO CARE FOR A LOVED ONE WITH DISABILITIES OR CHRONIC CONDITIONS CAN NOW APPLY FOR UP TO 400-DOLLARS PER FAMILY IN REIMBURSEMENT FOR RESPITE COSTS UNDER A TEMPORARY VOUCHER PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM OFFERED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES WILL DISTRIBUTE VOUCHERS FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM A FEDERAL GRANT LIMITED TO ABOUT 119-THOUSAND DOLLARS. THE PROGRAM WILL GO THROUGH JULY 31, 20-21, OR UNTIL THE FUNDS ARE EXHAUSTED.

6/3 - WJLA -- 5PM (0:40)

AN EYE-OPENING EXPERIENCE FOR SOME D-C ELEMENTARY STUDENTS TODAY. SEVEN AND EIGHT STUDENTS FROM ROCKETSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS GOT A FREE EYE EXAM AND TWO FREE PAIRS OF PRESCRIPTION GLASSES TODAY. MANY OF THE STUDENTS COME FROM LOW-INCOME FAMILIES. THE SCHOOL SAYS CLEAR VISION IS NOT ALWAYS AN OPTION FOR THEM.

EYE CENTRAL IN SOUTHEAST PROVIDED A DOCTOR AND THE EYE EXAMS FOR THE KIDS TODAY. EACH STUDENT GETS TWO PAIRS - ONE FOR HOME AND ONE THAT WILL STAY AT SCHOOL.

6/13 - WJLA – 6AM (0:35)

STARTING TODAY, YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SMOKE ON PATIOS AT BARS AND RESTAURANTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY. THE COUNCIL-APPROVED RULE ALSO BANS THE USE OF E-CIGARETTES. BUT THERE ARE SOME EXCEPTIONS. BUSINESSES MAY DESIGNATE ROOFTOP AND BALCONY AREAS FOR OUTDOOR SMOKING, AT THEIR DISCRETION. OUTDOOR SEATING AREAS ASSOCIATED WITH GOLF COURSES ARE ALSO EXEMPT FROM THE RULE. RESIDENTS HAVE MIXED REACTIONS TO THE RESTRICTION. MONTGOMERY COUNTY IS THE FIRST COUNTY IN MARYLAND TO ENACT SUCH A LAW.

6/20 - WJLA – 6AM (0:55)

IT'S THE TIME OF YEAR -- KIDS AROUND THE AREA - ARE OUT OF SCHOOL FOR THE SUMMER. BUT FOR MANY KIDS IN D-C... THAT MEANS MEALS - CAN BE HARD TO COME BY. TO PREVENT THIS - FREE SUMMER CAMPS AND REC CENTERS ACROSS THE DISTRICT - WILL SERVE MORE THAN 4000 CHILDREN FREE MEALS THIS SUMMER. THERE ARE MORE THAN 60 FREE SUMMER CAMP LOCATIONS SERVING BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND SNACKS. AND 250 TOTAL SITES WHERE FREE MEALS AND SNACKS ARE AVAILABLE TO ANYBODY AGE 18 OR UNDER. THERE ARE STILL SLOTS AVAILABLE FOR FREE SUMMER CAMPS IN WARDS SEVEN AND EIGHT. KIDS VISIT MUSEUMS, GO SWIMMING AND PARTICIPATE IN STRUCTURED DAILY ACTIVITIES. YOU'LL FIND LINK TO THE CITY'S SUMMER CAMP WEBSITE -- ON THE FREE ABC-7 NEWS APP - IF YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION.

ELDERLY & AGING

4/10 - WJLA-24/7 -2PM (0:25)

A NEW REPORT FROM THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE FINDS THE NAVY'S COST ESTIMATE... FOR ITS TOP ACQUISITION PRIORITY... IS NOT RELIABLE. A 115-BILLION-DOLLAR PRICE TAG... FOR COLUMBIA-CLASS SUBMARINES... IS BASED ON, QUOTE "OVERLY OPTIMISTIC ASSUMPTIONS"... ABOUT THE LABOR HOURS NEEDED... TO *CONSTRUCT* THOSE SUBMARINES. THE NAVY WANTS TO DEVELOP AND PURCHASE A DOZEN NUCLEAR-POWERED BALLISTIC MISSILE SUBS BY 20-31. THEY WILL REPLACE AGING OHIO-CLASS SUBMARINES.

5/12 - WJLA-24/7 - 7PM (0:25)

IT SEEMS AEROBIC EXERCISE CAN IMPROVE YOUR MIND *AS WELL AS YOUR BODY! NEW RESEARCH SHOWS REGULAR AEROBIC EXERCISE -- ANYTHING THAT INCREASES YOUR HEART RATE -- HELPS THE PART OF YOUR BRAIN RESPONSIBLE FOR "EXECUTIVE FUNCTION" TASKS. THAT COVERS THINGS LIKE PLANNING, FLEXIBLE THINKING, AND ACTING ON SOMETHING YOU HAVE ONLY JUST LEARNED. THE EFFECT WAS GREATER AMONG OLDER PEOPLE. HOWEVER -- TONING AND STRETCHING EXERCISE DIDN'T HAVE THE SAME EFFECT.

5/16 - WJLA-24/7 - 8AM (0:20)

AS WE GET OLDER, IT IS IMPORTANT TO STAY ACTIVE TO KEEP OUR MUSCLES AND JOINTS LOOSE, LIMBER AND PAIN-FREE. PHYSICAL THERAPIST AND CLINIC DIRECTOR AT PIVOT PHYSICAL THERAPY RACHEL BRACKEN IS HERE TODAY TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND SHARE SOME MOVES WE CAN ADD TO OUR ROUTINE AT HOME.

6/15 - WJLA-27/7 - 6AM (0:25)

A TRUSTED CAREGIVER -- TURNED THIEF! NOW -- ONE OLDER WOMAN IS SENDING A WARNING TO OTHER SENIORS -- TO BE CAREFUL OF ELDER ABUSE! 84-YEAR OLD "DELORIS PERSAUD" PERSAUD SAYS SHE HIRED THIS WOMAN AS A CAREGIVER TO HELP WITH HOUSEHOLD CHORES.BUT AFTER THE WOMAN'S FIRST SHIFT --- SHE NOTICED HER JEWELRY BOX WAS MISSING MORE THAN 20 RINGS AND NECKLACES.THE JEWELRY WAS A GIFT FROM HER LATE HUSBAND.NOW -- SHE WANTS TO HELP OTHERS AVOID THE HEARTBREAK SHE EXPERIENCED.

6/20 - WJLA-24/7 - 7AM (0:25)

THE MEDIAN AGE IN THE U.S. IS UP, AS BABY BOOMERS START TO HIT RETIREMENT AGE. THAT'S WHAT NEWLY RELEASED CENSUS DATA REVEALS.BETWEEN 20-10 AND 20-18, THE MEDIAN AGE IN THE U.S. INCREASED BY ONE YEAR.. TO 38-POINT-TWO. IN PUERTO RICO, THE MEDIAN AGE JUMPED BY NEARLY SIX YEARS.. FROM 36-POINT-NINE, TO 42-POINT-EIGHT. AMONG U.S. STATES, MAINE HAD THE GREATEST INCREASE IN THE MEDIAN AGE.. GOING FROM 42-POINT-SEVEN TO 44-POINT-NINE. THE ONLY STATE WITH A DECREASE IN THE MEDIAN AGE WAS NORTH DAKOTA.

6/26 - WJLA24/7 -7AM (0:25)

A SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE HEALTH ALERT.SCIENTISTS HAVE FOUND A POSSIBLE LINK BETWEEN CERTAIN MEDICATIONS AND AN INCREASED RISK OF DEMENTIA.THE DRUGS ARE CERTAIN ANTI-DEPRESSANTS, ANTI-PSYCHOTICS AND ANTI-EPILEPTICS.THE STUDY FOUND OLDER ADULTS ON THESE AND OTHER DRUGS MIGHT BE UP TO 50-PERCENT MORE LIKEY TO DEVELOP DEMENTIA. RESEARCHERS SAY THE INCREASED RISK ONLY APPLIES TO PEOPLE TAKING

STRONG DOSES OF THESE MEDICATIONS EVERY DAY FOR AT LEAST
THREE YEARS.